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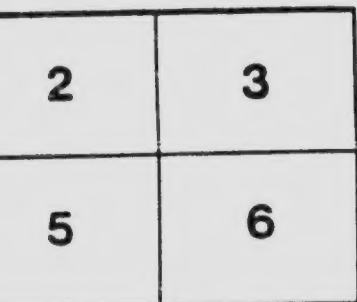
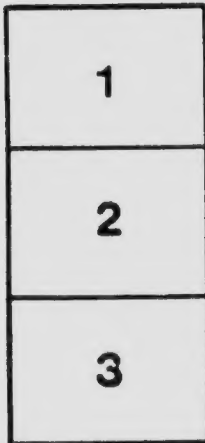
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Meeting called to order 10 a. m. by President G. F. Dougherty. After a short discussion it was decided to adjourn until 1 p. m., until the Rossland delegates should arrive.

1.40 p. m., meeting opened in *due form*, with President Dougherty in the chair.

The following brothers were appointed on the credentials committee: H. Thompson, P. Dabry, M. Delaney, H. Towne, Wm. Wilson.

The convention took a recess to give the committee time to report.

Credential committee reports as follows:
To the Officers and Members of the Fifth Annual Convention of District No. 6:—

We, your committee on credentials hereby report as follows:

We have examined the credentials of the dele-

gates and find the following brothers entitled to seats in this convention:

Sandon, No. 81, H. D. Thompson, 2 votes.
Sandon, No. 81, A. J. McDonald, 2 votes.
Ymir, No. 85, P. Daley, 2 votes.
Ymir, No. 85, W. Bennett, 2 votes.
Rossland, No. 38, P. R. McDonald, 2 votes.
Rossland, No. 38, M. P. Villeneuve, 2 votes.
Greenwood, No. 22, W. Wilson, 2 votes.
Greenwood, No. 22, G. F. Dougherty, 2 votes.
Kamloops, No. 112, M. Delaney, 1-2 vote.
Kamloops, No. 112, H. Murphy, 1-2 vote.
Nelson, No. 96, Frank Phillips, 1 vote.
Nelson, No. 96, C. Barton, 1 vote.
Phoenix, Harry Towne, 2 votes.
Kaslo, M. P. McAndrew, 1 vote.
Silverton, J. C. Tyree, 1 vote.
Slocan, D. B. O'Neill, 2 votes.
New Denver, Hugh Williams, 1 vote.

We find the following unions in arrears: Kaslo, Rossland, Phoenix, but in view of the fact that their delegates guarantee the payment of the back taxes, we would recommend that they be given seats in the convention.

We find that Kamloops Union has sent two delegates, but are only entitled to one vote. We would recommend that they be given a seat and allowed one-half vote each.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. THOMPSON,
P. DALEY,
M. DELANEY,
H. TOWNE,
WILLIAM WILSON

Committee.

Moved that the report of the committee be accepted and the committee be retained.

Roll call—All delegates answered.

The President then appointed the following committees:

President's Address.—Frank Phillips, Hugh Williams, William Bennett, P. R. McDonald and H. Murphy.

Resolutions and Standing Orders.—J. C. Tyree, M. P. Villeneuve, H. Williams, M. Delaney, M. P. McAndrew.

Constitution and By-Laws.—D. B. O'Neall, Howard Thompson, Hugh Murphy, P. R. McDonald and C. Barton.

Auditing.—M. P. McAndrew, M. P. Villeneuve, J. C. Tyree.

Ways and Means.—Harry Towne, M. Delaney, and P. Daley.

Grievances.—W. Bennett, H. Thompson and D. E. O'Neall.

Precinct Committee.—P. Daley, H. Williams and F. Phillips.

A delegation of Clergymen was announced and a request sent in that they be allowed to address the convention in the interests of the Lord's Day Alliance League.

It was moved that the request be granted at any time they present themselves.

Moved that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, for the purpose of giving the several committees time to prepare their reports.

The President then read his report, and the same was referred to the committee on President's address.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

To the Officers and Members of District Association
No. 6, W. F. of M.:—

Brothers:—The time has arrived when I am in duty bound to render to you an account of my stewardship. Deeply conscious of the honor you conferred upon me in selecting me as your President, and realizing the responsibility accompanying the honor, I promised you to discharge the duties of my office to the best of my ability. This I have done, and while I may not have done so in a manner pleasing to all, I assure you that any errors made were not intentional. I was scarcely inducted into office when a calamity such as was never heard of before befell one of our locals: 110 of our co-workers lost their lives in the twinkling of an eye. Desolation and sorrow was brought to many homes because of the avarice and greed of a few millionaires, who, in their anxiety to fill their coffers to overflowing, were willing to minimize the cost of production at the expense of many lives. Immediately upon the footsteps of the explosion followed the resignation of Brother Buckton. In losing Brother Buckton this district suffered a great loss. Ever conscious of the honor and responsibility conferred upon him, he labored for the good and welfare of the organization at large, and this district in particular. Since our last convention we have been suffering from strikes and depressions. Immediately after the explosion at Fernie, a new Manager was installed by the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, and with a new Manager came new customs. The first official act of Mr. J.

H. Tordlin was to violate the time honored custom of 8 hours from bank to bank. This caused a strike which lasted several weeks, and which practically paralyzed the industries of the Province, more particularly in the Boundary country. Hundreds of our brothers were thrown out of employment, and compelled to seek employment elsewhere, thus causing the Union to set back, from which they had scarcely recovered when another one took place. The former strike was conducted by our worthy President, Charles Molyer, assisted by our worthy brother J. A. Baker. All hail to those who so valiantly defended the rights of their fellow workers, and who yielded only when they became fully convinced of the futility of prolonging the battle.

During the year the depression of the lead and copper markets had a most disastrous effect on the industries of the southern part of the province, and I can see no relief in the outlook as the Government will take the matter in hand and operate smelting and refining plants in the interest of the people. The Mining Operators' Association seem to be satisfied with the dissolution of the problem, and while it may afford temporary relief I fail to see where it will become profitable. In the matter of compulsory education it is likewise apparent every day that some form of education will have to be provided for the future welfare of the province, and no better illustration could be had than the strike at Fernie, the effects of which are being felt to this day, and which will be felt for years. In this regard there has been too much of the police, Mr. Tordlin would have been employed to prevent this, and had he done so the strike could have been avoided.

MEMBER GRIEVANCES.

On the 9th day of February I received a telegram from Fernie advising that they were on strike.

and requesting my presence. I proceeded to Fernie and found that the Union, although in very poor shape financially and numerically, had succeeded in completely tying up the whole valley, in which condition it remained until the agreement was duly signed and delivered. In making the settlement I had no hesitancy in recommending its acceptance. Not what we wanted, but at the best we could accomplish, and while 28 men at Coal Creek suffered a reduction, the gains obtained benefited several hundred men; in short, it was a benefit to the many at the expense of the few. It appears that some dissension exists at this time, but I cannot see that there is any person to blame but Fernie Union. They know the majority that they had no over-coming influence to take a vote, left no other course open but that of declaring the strike off.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation of the valuable assistance rendered by my colleagues on the executive board. They have ever been ready and willing to render whatever aid that they could for the benefit of our fellow workers, and for the guidance of your humble servant.

In the past my club has endeavored to do the greatest good to the greatest number, and I will assure you that whatever my problems may be in the future, my club will be no different from your club, from the fact that it is slave to that to which by right they should be slaves.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. F. DOUGHERTY.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Officers and Delegates Assembled at the Fifth
Annual Convention of District Association No.
6, Western Federation of Miners:

Fellow Workers:—In compliance with our constitution I take pleasure in submitting to you my annual report for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1903.

In submitting my report I present to you a detailed account of all moneys received and disbursed by me, during my term of office, which are as follows:

RECEIPTS.

1902.			
April	1	To Balance	\$ 15.35
	2	Ymir P. C. T.	13.00
	5	Slocan City "	21.50
	7	Greenwood "	13.20
	8	Nelson "	21.00
	8	New Denver "	4.10
	12	Sandon "	35.80
	12	Silverton "	7.10
	23	Kaslo "	1.80
	23	Lardeau "	7.00
	23	Whitewater "	7.00
	23	Lamloop "	2.50
	25	Cp. McKinney "	18.80
May	11	Phoenix "	18.80
	26	Van Anda "	6.00

\$224.55

1907

July	7	To Balance	\$ 7.60
	8	Phoenix P. C. T.	13.85
	8	Nelson "	8.75
	16	Texada "	6.10
	19	Silverton "	4.00
	19	New Denver "	1.90
	19	Whitewater "	3.10
	23	Yuma "	7.30
	23	Shoan City "	15.07
	23	Kamloops "	2.00
	23	Lardner "	5.07
	23	Greenwood "	9.07
Sept.	22	Sandon "	22.15
	26	Sandon "	35.20
	26	New Denver "	4.20
	26	Silverton "	5.00
Oct.	1	Phoenix "	19.90
	1	Greenwood "	15.00
	1	Roseland "	31.50
	1	Edmonton "	4.00
	1	Lardner "	4.80
	1	Yuma "	17.09
	1	Shoan City "	22.10
Nov.	20	Nelson "	11.00
	"	Edmonton "	3.00
Dec.	5	W. T. account advanced to Ross	
		Paid by D. C. A. No. 6	110.00
	5	Account paid to D. C. A.	10.00
1908			
Jan.	6	Silverton P. C. T.	5.00
	10	Edmonton "	10.20
	19	Yuma "	10.00
	22	Nelson "	16.00
	24	Greenwood "	22.50
April	1	Sandon "	32.50
	1	Nelson "	15.00
	1	Kamloops "	5.00

7	Silverton	4.60

		\$658.70
	Slocan City	21.60

		\$ 80.30

EXPENSES

April	2	Nelson Daily News, calls for convention	\$ 8.00
	5	Postage stamps	1.50
	7	Buckworth, typewriting report	3.00
	11	Stationery for convention	2.05
	17	Telegram to Foley, Rossland	.30
	17	Inland Sentinel, hall rent	18.75
	18	C. Foley, expenses	10.00
	19	Parr, salary \$6.50, express .25	6.75
	21	Dom. Express \$2.15; express charges .25c.	2.40
	21	Postage \$1.60, Smith & McRae	2.45
	30	C. M. Brydges \$4.00; express charges .05	4.05
	30	Buckton, salary as Secy., April	3.50
May	3	R. P. Williams, typewriting	20.00
	7	Palace Livery, carriage	.25
	6	C. F. R., Telegram re Workmen's Compensation Act	4.95
	6	Telephone to Dougherty	.15
	6	McRae Bros & Smith, supplies for typewriter	2.50
	8	C. Foley, balance on convention	26.50
	10	Postage \$1.50; express chgs .10	1.60
	10	Exchange at Bank	.25
	20	Expense of trip to Fernie, Doodson	97.00
June	5	Dom. Express, convention reports	1.50
July	1	T. L. Buckton, salary and per diem advance	29.60

Cash advanced by Dougherty

May	26	To car fare, Fernie and return . .	25.90
	26	14 days time at \$5 per day . . .	55.00
	26	19 trip to Phoenix, hotel hire, etc.	50.00
	30	Cash advanced to McDonald . .	20.00
	25	Telegram to Wilkes re Denver .	1.00
	25	Telegram to Haycock re Denver	1.00
	25	Telegram to McDonald	1.00
June	1	Car fare to Mielch and return . .	1.75
	11	Cash and telegram to McDonald	51.00
	1	Telegram to Taylor 50¢, Taylor 50¢	1.00
	1	Telegram McKenzie	1.00
July	10	Typewriting inspector's report for June 1	20.00
	1	Pioneer Pub. Co., printing (Debs)	19.00
	31	Pioneer Pub. Co., printing stationery	11.00
	31	Telegram re voucher No. 1 . . .	1.30
Aug.	31	Telegram re voucher No. 275
Sept.	10	Sanborn Plymouth, printing . .	10.50
Oct.	29	Resland Evening World	90.00
Nov.	1	Postage stamps per voucher 3 .	2.00
	1	W. B. Fletcher, day room	1.50

\$394.30

1901			
Jan.	2	Telegram re voucher No. 1 . . .	1.30
Feb.	1	Telegram re voucher No. 5 . . .	1.05
J.	1	Shill & McRae, 21.20, 15.75 . .	7.05
	1	T. L. B. Baker, back salary and other	6.80
	1	Secretary's salary, September, October, November and Dec. total	10.00
	1	J. L. Cohen, typewriter supply .	2.25

	1	Stamp	2.00
	1	Smith & McRae, stationery	1.30
Feb.	6	G. F. Dougherty's trip to Nelson and return, 5 days at \$5 . . .	31.70
April	6	W. B. Fleming, express, as per voucher No. 675
	7	G. F. Dougherty, stationery, as per voucher No. 7	2.30
Feb.	6	Cash advanced for trip to Fernie	75.00

			\$174.51
April	9	January, February and March salary, 1903	30.00

			\$204.51

BALANCE SHEET

By per capita tax, \$224.55, \$270.99, and \$680.30	\$1175.84
To expenses, \$246.95, \$334.30, \$174.51, . . .	755.76

	\$ 390.08
Less 3 months salary for Secretary	30.00

Balance on hand	\$ 360.08

It is unnecessary for me to remind you that our expenses during the last few months have been somewhat heavy on account of two trips to Fernie and one to Nelson, when your executive officers met to consult in connection with the disastrous explosion, and also in connection with the late strike.

There are present 19 local of the Western Federation in British Columbia, all of which are or have been on the list of the District Association No. 6. Nine of these are in good standing, and three of them have been vouched for by members.

present. The total membership of those in good standing is 1,924. Five are in arrears, with a membership of 100.

Owing to the complicated condition of affairs at Fermie the executive board thought fit to establish a separate Association in the Crow's Nest Valley, known as the District Association No. 7, and included Fernie, Morrissey and Michipicoten; this is regarded as subsidiary to District Association No. 6.

I would recommend that this Association endeavor to formulate some plan whereby we could furnish our proportion of the taxes to support the Trade and Labor Congress of Canada, believing it to be to the interest of organized labor to have its representative stationed at Ottawa during Parliamentary sittings. I cannot see why we should expect to enjoy the advantages accruing from the efforts of the labors of the representative of that body unless we are willing to bear our share of the burden. I would recommend strongly that the per capita tax be raised from the present rate of 19 cents per member per quarter to 12 1/2 cents per member.

I would like to draw your attention to the fact that the Executive Board have you have requested in 1907. I will not discuss the position of labor and request that you will be so good as to check it.

Faithfully submitted,

WM. WILSON,

Secretary, C. P. A. R.

Moved that the report of the Secretary-Treasurer be read and then the public committee.

Report of Committee on Resolutions and Standing Order.

Will your committee concur in the order being adopted as follows:

1st. That the first order of business be the consideration of the President's address.

2nd. That the report of the Secretary-Treasurer be considered.

3rd. Reading of resolutions.

4th.— Constitution and By-Laws.

5th.— Reports of committees.

On motion, the same was adopted as presented.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

To the Officers and Members of District Convention
No. 6, W. F. of M.:

We, your committee, respectfully recommend the adoption of the President's address as submitted, particularly to clause "a," relating to the government ownership and operation of smelting and refining plants. Also to clause "b," relating to arbitration. We feel that it is of the utmost importance that this convention take steps on compulsory arbitration. We also recommend that this be given to the press for publication.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK PHILLIPS,
H. WILLIAMS,
WM. BENNETT,
P. R. McDONALD,
D. B. O'NEILL,

Committee.

Moved that the same be approved as read.

Moved that we do now take up the President's address and consider the same seriatim.

Moved that clause "a" be adopted. Moved in

and that the same be referred to the committee on resolutions. Amendment carried.

Moved that the convention adopt a form of compulsory arbitration. Bro. J. C. Tyree and P. R. McDonald addressed the convention at great length on said motion. Bro. Villeneuve made some very interesting remarks on the subject. The President then called Bro. McDonald to the chair and took the floor in opposition to compulsory arbitration, advocating conciliation rather than compulsion.

Bro. A. J. McDonald addressed the convention, advising everyone in his power to be against the bill, which would abolish conciliation.

Motion lost.

Moved that the Chair appoint a legislation committee, and that portion of the President's address relative to arbitration be referred to them, and that he be instructed to bring in a resolution on the same and it to be considered by the delegates as a vote.

The Chair appointed the following brothers on said committee: P. R. McDonald, M. P. McDonald, Howard Thompson, M. Delaney, and C. H. Toomey.

Moved that the Convention adjourn until the next day, and that the same be referred to the chair to be put in effect.

Carried by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

Whereupon the Convention adjourned until the next day, and the following resolutions were adopted by the Convention:

Resolved, that the Convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, which was held at the Hotel Hamilton, New York, on the 10th of December, 1900, be dissolved.

Whereupon the Convention adjourned until the next day, and the following resolutions were adopted by the Convention:

Whereas, eight hours should be the maximum work day in all underground working ;

Therefore, be it Resolved, by District Association No. 6, in convention assembled, That the Provincial Government be urged to recommend the Eight Hour Law be applied to most different mines to apply to all underground working ;

And be it further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Premier of British Columbia, and also to our representatives, John Houston, Smith Curtis and R. F. Green.

The same was adopted as read.

Moved, that in view of the ambiguous construction of the word underground, in the metalliferous laws, the Secretary-Treasurer of the District Association write the Attorney General for a proper translation of the said law. Carried.

The delegation of Clergyman being announced, it was decided to take a recess to give the gentleman an opportunity to address the convention. Rev. Mr. Reid quoted the proposed law. Rev. Mr. Robinson, Rev. Mr. Graham and Mr. Blackdwyck at length on the advisability of observing the Lord's Day, and urged the convention to take step in the matter. Mr. Black extended an invitation to the members of the association to attend the next parliament that was to be held that night under the auspices of the Success Club. After the gentlemen retired it was decided to leave the matter with the board.

Moved that we adjourn till 1.30 p.m.

The convention resumed at 1.40 p.m.

Resolution from the Seafarers Union

To the Members of the Western Federation of Miners :

Dear Sirs and Brothers: At the regular meet-

ing of the Union held on December 20th, 1902, the foregoing motion received the unanimous consent of the organization:

"Moved, seconded and carried, that a committee of three be appointed to prepare and present to the body of District No. 6, resolution with a view toward securing their assistance in making representation to the executive board of the Western Federation of Miners that it is the earnest wish of the Union in this District that the printing of all Union supplies for the district be done in the Province of British Columbia.

In view of the fact that we can procure from local sources for \$10.00 per 1000 precisely the same card that making arrangements is costing us \$65.00 per 1000, we think it not only right and expedient, but in the interest of our membership is proper, that resolutions along the lines indicated should be taken to induce the matter being held before the annual convention of the Western Federation of Miners.

Another member arose in favor of this committee, stating since we ourselves object to the representation of the Union, it is not only incumbent upon us, but we are bound to support the local printing of the local subject matter, in order of policy, to support the local printing of the local subject matter, in order of policy, to support the local printing of the local subject matter.

And it is the duty of the local printing of the local subject matter.

Seconded and carried. That the matter be referred to a committee of opinion from the body of District No. 6 on the advisability of procuring the printing of the Union in the name of the Union, and present case of the Union on the executive board of the Western Federation of Miners be held before the annual convention of the Union.

Heretofore it has been customary for the convention as a body to nominate and elect the member who shall represent each district on the executive committee.

This method we believe to be in many cases haphazard, and a method that often fails in providing the district with the member best calculated to maintain their undivided support. A large majority of the convention, however conscious they may be, can have but a superficial knowledge of the man they select to represent the district outside of their own, and the prudence of any delegate during a convention is no warranty that the same man is the best qualified to represent his district.

Now if you see this matter in the same light as we do, we would ask you to advise us on the subject. Any suggestion or proceedings you may be pleased to offer we will gladly receive.

Should this movement receive the support of a sufficient majority of the unions of District No. 6 we will take steps to have the matter presented to the local through the District Executive, with the view of having the same placed in the hands of the delegate from this district for united presentation to the next annual convention of the Western Federation of Miners.

All of which is respectfully submitted for your consideration.

Signed by the members of the committee,

MARTIN S. GAIN,
CARL WESTERN.

To the Officers and Members of District A, No. 6, W. L. M.

Wc, your committee on resolutions,
to report as follows:

In the matter of the Sanden resolution, we would recommend that the word supply be stricken out and the word fund inserted in lieu thereof.

In the matter of the ownership of schools and colleges, we would also recommend that the convention declare itself in favor of public ownership of schools and colleges, and we further recommend that the Dominion Government erect the Department of Education in the Province.

In the matter of the selection of the members of the executive board, we would recommend that the members be left in the hands of the convention.

JOHN C. TYLER
M. P. VILLIENUEVE
M. P. McANDREW,
M. DEANEY,

Resolution Committee.

On the report of the committee was
unanimously agreed.

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unanimously agreed that the motion be passed and
the committee be discharged.

Agreed, B. C. A. 24, 1903.

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teenth prior to the annual convention of the Western Federation of Miners. Adopted.

Article 3. That section 3 be amended as follows: Insert after the word "This" in the last line on page 6: "Notify the Secretaries of all local Unions that their per capita tax is due at the end of each quarter." Adopted.

Add section 4: The executive board shall prepare a list of all subjects that in their judgment should be taken up at annual convention, and submit same to all local in their jurisdiction at least thirty days prior to date of convention. Adopted.

Article 4. Section 2 to be amended as follows: Strike on June 1st and insert July 1st. Adopted.

Article 7. Section 1 to be amended by changing date April 26th, 1901 to April 7th, 1903. Adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

D. B. O'NEILL
HOWARD THOMPSON
P. R. McDONALD,
HUGH MURPHY,
C. A. BARTON

Resolved, that what authority I shall exercise the settlement of this matter.

R. D. moved the following: That for any contract local Union that they have satisfactory evidence to go out on strike, and recommend the support of the Federation to doing that said local should not return to work until a vote of all local Unions is taken, where the majority vote is granted in its entirety to the satisfaction of the District executive.

Seconded by C. H. Toomey.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

We, your committee on constitution and by-laws, beg leave to submit the following report:

Re Bro. Dwy's proposed amendment in reference to settlement of rules. Your committee cannot recommend the adoption of same, for the following reason:

1. If it were compulsory that any proposed terms of settlement of any difficulty had to be submitted to all roads of the district for a referendum vote, much valuable time would be lost, and even after receiving the approval of the district roads it would still have to be submitted to the executive of the W. L. M. for their approval.

2. Any district, such as No. 6, where a number of local roads are situated, would be considerably inconvenienced by the necessity of the local roads meeting the Union road for the purpose of being formed of existing conditions into a new road, and so on, and so on.

3. The proposed amendment is hereby approved by the W. L. M. convention. Adopted.

D. B. O'NEILL,
HOWARD T. OLSON,
HUGH MURPHY,
C. A. BARTON,
P. R. McDONALD,

Committee.

Resolved, That the committee on the constitution and by-laws be discharged.

Bro. A. J. Proctor read aloud the following resolution proposed by the committee on the constitution and by-laws:

Resolved, That the committee on the constitution and by-laws be discharged.

Bros. McDonald and Villeneuve presented the grievance of the Rossland Union.

On motion this matter took the same course.

Bro. Thompson presented the grievances of the Sandon Union.

On motion they were also referred to the proper committee.

Bro. McAndrew presented the grievance of the Kaslo Union.

It was disposed of in like manner as previous grievances.

REPORT OF GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

To the Officers and Members of District Association No. 6 Convention:

Brothers:- We, your committee on grievances, beg to report as follows:

Re Complaint of the Rossland Union. -Your committee would recommend that the Rossland Miners' Union should submit to the locals of this district through the medium of the District Association, a full statement of their case, together with an itemized account of the expenditures of money received from the W. F. O. M. after the strike was declared off. We would further recommend that the Association urge the locals of the district to give the matter their best attention and consideration so that delegates representing such Unions at the W. F. O. M. convention may, when the matter is brought up at said convention be able to see justice given to the Rossland Miners' Union.

Re Kaslo Complaint. -We, your committee, believing the statement made by Bro. M. P. McAndrew of the Kaslo Miners' Union, No. 69, on the floor of this convention yesterday, we consider that at the next convention of District Association No. 6, held at

The ways and means committee presented the following report:

We recommend the following: That it being wholly the fault of the local societies that such an untoward result should have followed, as they have been credited with the full amount of money lent to cover the same, there is no fault of the officers of the British Association, but, in covered such the expense of them, and the committee being in London, it is necessary for us to carry on the several expenses demanded of us, and on them during the trouble of the past year, we, the committee, of ways and means, recommend the convention be recommended that if you are able to carry the same on in their state of affairs, they be refunded \$200, and will enclose the bill in per capita for the balance of the coming year, if it does not exceed the balance of 1885.

Respectfully submitted,

M. DELANEY,

P. DALLY,

C. H. TOWNE,

Committee.

Our report is now adopted.

To the Order of the Local Society of Detroit, No. 6, i. e. Convention, 1885, added:

We have received the following for some appeal:

That in the matter of licensing medicines, that the power be left to apply to all medicines, held by any person, whether used by steam, compressed air, or electricity.

And further, we would recommend that they be examined by a reputable physician in regard to their health, as we believe that anyone suffering from

learned that I had a proper person to have our live in life here.

And that a copy of the same be sent to our members of the Legislature, and to the Minister of Mines.

C. H. TOWNE.

G. F. DOUGHERTY.

Moved that the same be accepted and referred to the committee on legislation. Carried.

To the Officers and Delegates of the Fifth Annual Convention of District Association No. 6 of the W. T. of M.

Was your committee on Legislation, submit the following:

In Resolution. That the present act be so amended to apply to all persons employed by any person, and that all engineers be examined by a Board of Engineers.

We would like to see a bill introduced in the next session.

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Moved and seconded that the report be accepted and the recommended, be complied with. Carried.

Bro. P. Daley offered the following resolution, the same to be referred to the locals for their action:

In order to get the sentiment of the locals on the matter of settling stiller for a given time, thereby preventing them from acting in sympathy with other Unions.

On motion the same was accepted and ordered to take the proper course.

The committee on the Secretary-Treasurer's report presented their report.

Recommended that the Secretary-Treasurer's report:

Chairman: We do not recommend at this time to affiliate with the Trades and Labor Congress. First, because of the depression in the country and owing to the fact that many employed labor men are without funds and would be very unpopular, and we believe that the Trades and Labor Congress would have to be loyal to the majority of the unemployed. Secondly, a great many of the locals are already represented in the District Trades and Labor Council, which is the same as the District Trades and Labor Congress.

Chairman: I think the committee would be right in their opinion. Why the committee of the Secretary should be appointed to receive the paper is not from 10 cents to 1 dollar, but the paper is not a local one but of the district, which is not a local one and the paper is not of the district but of the local one. I would like to see a good deal of the paper.

Adopted.

JOHN C. TYRRE,
M. P. McANDREW,
M. DEANEY,
M. P. VILLENEUVE.

Committee.

the action of the executive in the adjustment of the strike in the Crowl, Nest Valley.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. TYRELL,
M. DELANEY,
M. P. McANDREW,
M. P. VILLENEUVE,

Committee.

On motion, the resolutions just read were adopted.

Moved and seconded that the Record and Evening World be the official organ for the coming year. Carried.

Bro. Thompson of Sweden started an expression of opinion from the convention in regard to bringing legal action against members in arrears.

After considerable discussion it was decided to leave the matter entirely with the locals.

On motion, the matter of printing the proceedings of the fifth annual convention, was left in the hands of the executive.

Bro. M. P. McAndrew introduced the following resolution:

That the incoming Secretary be instructed to communicate with Bro. Belco, the wishes of the miners at Chatham, Cheshire and Wilbur, and in the event of his not being able to attend to the matter that the incoming executive be instructed to proceed to organize said camps. Carried.

The report of the auditing committee was then received.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, your committee, appointed to audit the accounts of the Secretary-Treasurer, beg to submit the following:

We have enclosed the book, together with the vouchers for all expenditures, as last audited by the auditor.

Receipts.

For per capita dues	\$ 670.19
Returned by W. E. of M.	510.00
Balance on hand at convention	45.35

Disbursements.

For the explosion	\$ 97.00
Secretary's Travel, July	120.00
Incidentals	598.75

Total disbursements

\$ 815.75

Total receipts

\$1,415.84

Balance on hand

\$15.75

Balance on hand July 1, 1904, 1905, 1906

550.00

M. P. McANULTY,

J. C. TYRRELL,

M. P. WILLIAMS, UNCL.

Committee.

On the 11th of June, 1906, the following were elected to the committee on the part of the association:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

Resolved, That the committee on the part of the association do hereby report.

No further action thereon was deemed advisable.

Bro. P. R. McDermott, of Rockford, was nominated. Bro. G. E. Douglas, of Greenwood, was elected as his successor. Nomination closed.

On the 11th of June, when Bro. McDermott received 13 votes, Bro. Douglas 9.

Bro. McDonald receiving the majority of votes cast was declared elected President for the coming year.

On motion, the election was made unanimous.

For Vice President the following were nominated: Bro. C. H. Towner, of Proctor; Bro. H. Vard Thompson, of St. Lawrence; Bro. Wm. Bennett, of Ymir; Bro. B. M. Williams.

The result of the ballot was as follows: 1. Bro. Thompson, 14; Bro. Towner, 8; Bro. Bennett, 2; Bro. Thompson, Jr., 2 received the majority of votes cast was declared duly elected for the coming year.

On motion the election was made unanimous.

For Secretary-Treasurer, Bro. G. T. Dougherty was placed in nomination.

Moved that the nomination close on the name of Bro. Dougherty. Carried.

Moved that the Secretary-Treasurer be instructed to cast the vote of the convention for Bro. Dougherty. Carried.

Installation of Officers:

The President and Vice President were then duly installed, after which the Secretary-Treasurer was duly installed by the President elect.

Moved that the retiring officers be rendered a vote of thanks. Carried.

Moved that the Nelson Miners' Union be rendered a vote of thanks, also some consideration for the use of their hall. Carried.

Moved that the convention donate the sum of \$20.00 for the use of the hall. After considerable opposition from the Nelson delegates the motion was withdrawn.

PLACE OF MEETING

The following places were then named as the choice of the delegates for holding the sixth annual

convention: Nelson, Rossland, Greenwood, Kamloops and Sandon.

On a rising vote Nelson received 11 votes, Greenwood 5, Kamloops 1, Rossland 6, and Sandon 1.

Moved that Nelson be the unanimous choice of the convention. Motion prevailed.

Expense bills of the retiring officers were read, and on motion, the same were allowed.

There being no further business to come before the house, the President declared the fifth annual convention of District Association No. 6 adjourned, sine die.

Attest:

W.M. WILSON,
Secretary-Treasurer.





